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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director/Plans

Attention : Chief of Operations

SUBJECT : Briefing on Plans for the President's Board of Consultants

1. General Cassidy has indicated that Governor Darden is tentatively planning to be in Washington on 21 May, and at that time would like to be briefed on the [] with particular reference to the original concept for the Operation, the intelligence on which it was based, the development of the plans for the operation, the coordination thereof, and the general conduct of the operations. He has asked that a brief paper on this be prepared for him to read in advance.

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2. General Hull, upon his return from Honolulu, indicated that while he was now satisfied with the status of war planning, he had some questions concerning current operations. As a result, he plans to participate with Governor Darden in the above briefing. Further, however, General Hull would like to be briefed on the planning system for current operations. I believe that the [] operation could serve as a basis for this, but would also suggest that one or two other operations of a non-crisis nature be used as illustrations. You will recall that in my write-up of the meeting of the President's Board General Hull had also indicated that he did not feel that the military commanders were brought in fully enough on current operations, and consequently were not always able to place their full assets at the disposal of the agency.

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3. Would you ask the appropriate people to be prepared for the above briefing, which can be tentatively set for the 21st. I will keep you advised of any changes. The briefing will probably take place in the offices of the President's Board in the Executive Office Building.

SIGNEDLyman B. Kirkpatrick
Inspector General

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